✔Docket No.: 0057-2567-2YY

"RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116-EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP/ART UNIT 2812"

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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: EXAMINER: STEVENSON, A.

SERIAL NO.: 09/466,934

FILED: DECEMBER 20, 1999

: GROUP ART UNIT: 2812

FOR: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE,

METHOD OF MANUFACTURING

SAME AND METHOD OF

DESIGNING SAME

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated July 18, 2001, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

12/21/2001 VVANNALL 00000001 09466934 Please amend the claims as shown in the attachment. A complete set of amended 400.00 0P

claims in clean form is shown below.

Please amend Claims 1, 6, and 23 as follows.

1. (Amended) A semiconductor device having a SOI structure including a semiconductor substrate, a buried insulation layer and an SOI layer, said semiconductor device comprising:

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